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TRACK II

A. [REDACTED]

1. [REDACTED] called the Station late yesterday to report that General Schneider would be removed within the next 48 hours.

2. President Frei has asked that Admiral Porta take a leave of absence and that the head of the Carabineros in Santiago resign.

3. Headquarters has debriefed the false-flag officer who was in contact with General Viaux. Station intends to immediately recontact Viaux through another false-flag officer who will offer funding support for Viaux activities. *done.*

4. Station reported that military units in Concepcion and Valdivia were ready to move against the government. Station plans to use a [REDACTED] officer to contact the resistance group in Concepcion.

5. [REDACTED]

6. [REDACTED] contacted [REDACTED] and advised him that the USG was willing to support a coup to block Allende. [REDACTED] was not receptive to this proposal.

7. Station reported that on 6 October General Valenzuela met with General Viaux and attempted to persuade him not to attempt a coup.

8. [REDACTED]

B. Accomplishments:

Last week General Viaux appeared to be the only military leader committed to blocking Allende. Now we are beginning to see signs of increased coup activity from other military quarters, specifically [REDACTED] the Forces in Concepcion and Valdivia, and perhaps even President Frei and General Ossa.

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C. Situation:

The prospects for a coup may have improved significantly in the past 24 hours. President Frei's request that Admiral Porta take a leave of absence, Frei's request that the head of the Carabineros in Santiago resign, and [REDACTED] report (if accurate) that General Schneider will be removed in the next 48 hours, may indicate that President Frei and Minister of Defense Ossa have not yet abandoned the possibility of finding a military solution for blocking Allende. In fact, Frei's request that Admiral Porta take a leave of absence may be an attempt by Frei to finesse Schneider's removal which could pave the way for military intervention.

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